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SUBJECT: NEXT STEPS ON NON-CIRCUMVENTION

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I PLAN TO SEE LUNS AS SOON AS WASHINGTON ADVISES ITS
PREFERENCE FOR A NAC DATE TO DELIVER OUR REPORT ON NON-
CIRCUMVENTION AND FURNISHES TEXT FOR DELIVERY. I HAVE SOME
TROUBLE, HOWEVER, WITH SUGGESTION THAT WE SHOULD MOVE TO
CUT OFF ANY DISCUSSION. WHILE LUNS CAN BE HELPFUL WITH
A FAST GAVEL -- AND I SHALL URGE THAT STRATEGY ON HIM IN
THIS CONNECTION -- IT WOULD NOT BE IN OUR INTEREST TO BE
PERCEIVED AS ATTEMPTING TO STIFLE ANY COMMENT. BRITISH
AND GERMANS HAVE ALREADY INDICATED THEIR INTENTION TO
MAKE STATEMENTS, AND IT IS NOT UNLIKELY THAT FRENCH WILL
WISH TO DO SO. IT IS UNREALISTIC TO THINK THAT LUNS

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WOULD DENY THE FLOOR TO ANY REPRESENTATIVE IN A COUNCIL
OF SOVEREIGN EQUALS. NOR SHOULD WE BE IN THE POSITION
OF ASKING HIM TO DO THAT. THIS IS AFTER ALL
NATO, NOT THE WARSAW PACT. BENNETT

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